Certain places excepted

Time.

Transfer

Oath.

Fee.

1874, c 380 Requirements of oath.

issue a license to such resident to employ such boat in catching oysters with scoop, dredge, or similar instrument, within the waters Chesapeake bay of the Chesapeake bay, and in Eastern bay, outside of a line drawn and Eastern bay.

from the southwest corner of second Kent Point to W. Provided, that nothing herein contained shall authorize the catching of oysters with scoop, dredge, or similar instrument, on any oyster bar within one and a half miles of Talley's Point, Sandy Point, Hackett's Point, Thomas's Point, Holland Island Bar, Three Sisters, Swan Point Bar, Poplar Island, one-quarter of a mile west of, and between the island and the main land, nor within half a mile of Plum Point, and to buy and sell oysters in this State; which license shall hold good for one year, but shall only authorize the catching of oysters between the first of October and the first of May; but it shall be lawful for the owner of any such boat licensed, whenever said owner shall sell and convey by a bill of sale, for a bona fide consideration, said boat unto any person who has been a resident of the State of Maryland for at least one year, to transfer the said license to said vendee with said boat, which license, when transferred, shall entitle said vendee with said boat to the same privileges for catching oysters in the waters of this State, that the original vendor or assignor had before said assignment; provided, the said vendee and assignee shall appear before the comptroller of the treasury and make oath before him to all the facts, matters, things, and prerequisites required of said original vendor or assignor, before taking out such license, upon which said license said comptroller shall certify the fact of said vendee or assignee having taken said oath, and for which said assignee or vendee shall pay the sum of five dollars, to be paid to the State of Maryland.

3. The owner of such boat shall make oath before the comptroller or his clerk, or before the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which he shall reside, or, if he resides in the city of Baltimore, before the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in said city, that he is the bona fide owner of such boat, to be described in the license; that he has been a resident of the State for the time beforementioned; that there is no lien on said boat held by a non-resident; that the said boat is not held with an intention to violate the provisions of this article; such applicant shall produce before the comptroller, or the said clerk, at the time of such application, customhouse enrolment or license of such boat, and if such boat is under custom-house tonnage, the owner shall swear as to her tonnage; the master of such boat shall make oath before the comptroller or clerk aforesaid, that he has been a resident of the State of Maryland for twelve months next preceding the time of taking such oath, and in all cases where such oath shall be administered by the clerk of the Circuit Court, or the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas as aforesaid, such clerk so administering such oath shall certify the same fully, in accordance with the provisions of this article, under seal to the comptroller, and shall deliver such certificate to the owner